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HOUSE OF THE PEOPLE

The following Bill was introduced in the House of the People on 18th March, 1953:—

BILL No. 19 of 1953

A Bill further to amend the Government Premises (Eviction) Act, 1950,

Be it enacted by Parliament as follows:—

1. **Short title.**—This Act may be called the Government Premises (Eviction) Amendment Act, 1953.

2. **Amendment of the long title and sections 1, 3, 4 and 10, Act XXVII of 1950.**—In the long title and in section 1, section 3, section 4 and section 10 of the Government Premises (Eviction) Act, 1950 (hereinafter referred to as the principal Act), for the words "Government premises" wherever they occur, the words "public premises" shall be substituted.

3. **Amendment of section 2, Act XXVII of 1950.**—For clause (b) of section 2 of the principal Act, the following clause shall be substituted, namely:—

“(b) the expression “public premises” means any premises or land belonging to, or taken on lease or requisitioned by, the Central Government or requisitioned by the competent authority under the Requisitioning and Acquisition of Immovable Property Act, 1952 (XXX of 1952) and, in relation to the State of Delhi, includes any premises or land vested in the Delhi Improvement Trust or a local authority in that State, whether such premises or land are or is in the possession of, or leased out by, the Trust or authority, as the case may be.”

STATEMENT OF OBJECTS AND REASONS.

In the Government Premises (Eviction) Act, 1950, the expression 'Government premises' has been so defined that while in relation to the Government and municipalities, it covers both premises and land but

in relation to the Delhi Improvement Trust, it covers land only and not buildings belonging to that body. The Delhi Improvement Trust owns a number of premises and it is experiencing considerable difficulties in both evicting the unauthorised occupants and recovering the arrears of rent and damages in respect of such premises. It is, therefore, proposed in this Bill to amend the definition of the term "Government premises" so as to cover the premises belonging to the Delhi Improvement Trust also. Opportunity has also been taken to substitute the expression "public premises" for "Government premises" as the latter term is not appropriate in relation to local authorities or the Improvement Trust.

SWARAN SINGH.

NEW DELHI;
The 6th March, 1953.

M. N. KAUL,
Secretary.